IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.1160 OF 2005

Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. .. Petitioners
v/s.
Mumbai Port Trust. .. .. Respondents

Mr.R.M.Kadam, Advocate General with Mr.S.A.Bhalwal i/by Vyas and Bhalwal for petitioners.

Mr.Gulam Vahanvati, Solicitor General i/by Mulla & Mulla for respondents.

CORAM : H.L. GOKHALE &
S.C.DHARMADHKARI, JJ.

DATE : 27TH APRIL 2005

P.C. :

1. Heard the learned Advocate General for the petitioners. The Solicitor General appears for the respondents.

2. The learned Solicitor General points out to the Court that inasmuch as the petition involves a dispute between two public authorities, it will be desirable that the direction is given to sort out the controversy in an inter-ministerial meeting. The learned Advocate General has no objection to the suggestion coming from the learned Solicitor General. In view

thereof, we direct the parent ministries of the petitioners as well as the respondents to convene a meeting of the concerned Secretaries at the earliest and to see to it that the dispute is resolved on an outer side within eight weeks.

3. An ad-interim order has been passed by this Court on 8th April 2005. That will continue to operate during the pendency of this period of eight weeks and for a further period of four weeks thereafter. Petition stands disposed of.

(H.L. GOKHALE, J.)

(S.C.DHARMADHIKARI, J.)